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**MUSEUM LEADER JOINS CONGRESSMAN JACKSON FOR SPECIAL PRESENTATION
DURING 'AN ARTISTIC DISCOVERY 2010'**

High School Artists To Be Honored At Prairie State

Congressman Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. will be joined by Peggy A. Montes, founder and president of the Bronzeville Children's Museum, at the Awards Ceremony for *An Artistic Discovery 2010*. Montes' special presentation on "How your creativity works" will be a highlight of the Second Congressional District's Annual High School Art Competition.

An Artistic Discovery 2010 Awards Ceremony

Saturday, April 24th, 2010 - 11:00 a.m.

Prairie State College- Christopher Art Gallery (Business & Community Ed. Ctr.)

202 South Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, IL 60411

Congressman Jackson said, "An Artistic Discovery gives me a great opportunity to meet some of the Second Congressional District's most talented young artists. I'm looking forward to seeing the inspiring Ms. Montes work with them."

The distinguished judges for *An Artistic Discovery 2010* are:

*Mr. Ra Joy, Executive Director, Illinois Arts Alliance

*Onjalee Lashay, "OnJaLee the Connector" (singer/songwriter, event marketer)

*Ms. Peggy A. Montes, Founder/President, Bronzeville Children's Museum

*Mr. Grant White, Sculptor and Board of Directors, Tall Grass Arts Association

"Art is the center of life," said Ms. Montes when she agreed to participate in this year's art competition. "Everything that we do in one way or the other revolves around art...it completes us as individuals."

The awards ceremony is free and open to the public.

The public is also invited to view the works at Prairie State College's Christopher Art Gallery from Monday, April 19th, through the presentation of the Awards of Artistic Merit on Saturday, April 24th. Gallery hours are 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., as well as Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

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